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Summary of Amendments Made in Order to H.R. 4546 - The National Defense Authorization Act for FY 2003

The following are summaries of the amendments made in order to today's Defense Authorization bill. In plain text are the summaries as provided by the Rules Committee. ***In bold italics*** are RSC additions to the summaries, based on review of the actual amendments.

Amendments may only be offered in the order listed below, with the following exception: The Chairman of the Committee of the Whole may recognize for consideration of any amendment out of the order printed, but not sooner than one hour after the chairman of the Committee on Armed Services or a designee announces from the floor a request to that effect.

It shall be in order at any time for the chairman of the Committee on Armed Services or his designee to offer amendments en bloc consisting of "Part B" amendments (listed below) not earlier disposed of or germane modifications of any such amendment.

PART A - SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS MADE IN ORDER

Weldon (PA) - States that it is the policy of the U.S. to pursue (through direct engagement) greater cooperation, transparency, and confidence with the Russian Federation regarding a variety of nuclear weapons-related matters. ***Outlines suggestions for joint programs and operations with the Russian Federation and mandates a report from the President by March 1, 2003, on the status of such cooperative efforts.*** The amendment specifies the conditions (***based on national security threats from other nations***) under which the current ban on designing and developing low-yield nuclear weapons is automatically repealed. (20 minutes)

Tauscher - Requires the Secretary of Energy to report to Congress ***within 90 days of this bill's enactment*** on options for reaching the level of operationally deployed nuclear warheads (between 1,700 and 2,200) outlined in the Nuclear Posture Review, in 2006, 2008, and 2010. (10 minutes)

Markey - Permanently prohibits the use of funds to develop, test, or engineer a nuclear earth penetrator weapon and prohibits FY2003 funds for a feasibility study of a nuclear earth penetrator weapon. (20 minutes)

Tierney - Provides that no funds for FY2003 for the Department of Defense may be used for space-based national missile defense programs. (20 minutes)

Spratt - Adds funding for two programs needed to meet here-and-now threats and \$65 million for PAC-3 and \$70 million for the Israeli Arrow system, to be offset by cutting three Ballistic Missile Defense programs (*\$54.4 million from the Space-Based Boost, \$24.8 million from the Space-Based Laser, \$55.8 million from the Sea-Based Boost*). (20 minutes)

Hunter - Substitute Amendment for the Spratt Amendment. Transfers *\$135 million from the* Missile Defense Agency to increase funds for PAC-3 missile procurement (*\$65 million*) and for the Arrow program (*\$70 million*). (10 minutes)

Sanchez – *Allows any medical treatment facility or other facility of the Department of Defense outside the United States to be used to perform an abortion for any reason.* (20 minutes)

Goode - Authorizes the Secretary of Defense to assign members of the Armed Forces (*who have undergone a proper training program*) to assist the INS or the U.S. Customs Service (*in preventing drug-traffickers, terrorists, or their materials from entering the U.S.*) at the request of the Attorney General or the Secretary of the Treasury. (20 minutes)

Paul – *Expresses a sense of Congress that* funds made available by these authorizations of appropriations not be used to assist, cooperate with, or provide any support to the International Criminal Court. (20 minutes)

PART B - SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS MADE IN ORDER

(Subject to Offering En Bloc)

Bereuter - Authorizes the National Guard to use *up to \$2.5 million of* its appropriated funds to cover the costs of conducting and participating in athletic events relevant to military duties or military physical fitness requirements (i.e. marathons and small arms competitions) and authorizes the use of funds appropriated to cover the costs incurred by the National Guard members as they train for and participate in those athletic events. (10 minutes)

Culberson - Codifies the Department of Defense directive that DNA samples contained in the Armed Forces Repository of Specimen Samples for the Identification of Remains can be used for law enforcement purposes with a court order to investigate or prosecute a felony or sexual offense. (10 minutes)

Davis, Jo Ann - Commends the crews of the aircraft carriers who participated in Operation Enduring Freedom and the homeland defense mission and expresses the sense of the Congress that the carrier force level, as outlined in the Quadrennial Defense Review, should not fall below twelve active carriers. (10 minutes)

Farr - Establishes a National Foreign Language Skills Registry of qualified linguists who would volunteer their foreign language skills (translation and interpretation) to the Department of Defense and other agencies in times of national emergency. (10 minutes)

Hefley - Clarifies that the Navy's base contract for information technology services may be extended to seven years but allows for the contract to have a longer duration if options are exercised. (10 minutes)

Issa - Allows the Secretary of Defense to exchange property at Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) El Toro, which was closed in 1996, for base housing construction at Camp Pendleton, MCAS Miramar, and the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, located in Southern California. (10 minutes)

Manzullo - Holds harmless the funding level for all Procurement Technical Assistance Centers (PTACs) in case the appropriations later this year do not match the authorized level. (10 minutes)

Ortiz - Prohibits the acquisition of T-5 tankers for the Navy unless the acquisition is authorized in a defense authorization act. (10 minutes)

Pallone - Transfers proceeds from the sale of military family housing assets at Ft. Monmouth, NJ, back to the Fort after the sale to build replacement family housing units and to rehabilitate existing family housing on Ft. Monmouth. (10 minutes)

Saxton - Requires that the Secretary of Defense review the effects of single-source contracting in the awards process as related to ship combat technology and industrial base. The review will result in a report submitted to Congress no later than March 31, 2003. (10 minutes)

Schrock - Authorizes the Secretary of the Navy to carry out not more than three pilot projects under military housing privatization authorities to use the private sector for the acquisition or construction of military unaccompanied housing in the U.S. or any territory or possession of the U.S. The authority would expire September 30, 2007. (10 minutes)

Smith (NJ) - Strengthens and expands health care resources-sharing between the Departments of Defense and Veterans Affairs by establishing incentives and pilot programs for health care and graduate medical education. The amendment also establishes an interagency committee to plan, facilitate, and improve sharing efforts between the two departments. *Authorizes appropriations for the coordination project, as follows: \$5 million for FY2003, \$10 million for FY2004, and \$15 million for each succeeding year in which the project is in effect. Mandates several reports. Repeals bed limits for VA facilities.* (10 minutes)

Snyder - Amends Section 2605 of Title 10 to provide authority to the Secretary of Defense to accept gifts for the National Defense University. (10 minutes)

Spratt - Gives the Secretary of Defense the discretion to impose stricter standards of accounting expertise for certain DOD financial positions. These new standards will not apply retroactively to current DOD personnel. (10 minutes)

Stump - Corrects the description under F-16 modifications regarding targeting pods for the Air Force Reserve Command to clarify that \$14.4 million is to be made available for 36 Litening II modernization kits for the F-16 block 25 and block 30 aircraft, rather than to procure 8 Litening AT pods for those aircraft. Corrects the bill's language on aid *to local educational agencies (by striking \$30 million and inserting \$35 million)* to reflect the original intent of the provision and make it consistent with other parts of the bill and report. (10 minutes)

Tiahrt - Requires that future *recurring* reporting requirements imposed on the DOD would have a sunset provision of five years after enactment. (10 minutes)

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